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Jon, thanks for the opportunity to provide the COE with names of contractors to help the COE with the EIS. We do not have any names of contractors at this time to provide you but I do want to reiterate a suggestion that I gave you during our last conference call. Our comment was that for the COE to not only seek firms that have not worked for NMC, CMC, Rio Algom or Exxon, but to also expand that list to include Foth & Van Dyke and the other major NMC contractors. If a firm is a major sub-contractor to F&VD on other projects (locally or nationally), a perception of conflict of interest may be just as strong as if that sub-contractor did business directly for NMC etal. Thanks again for the opportunity to comment.  
Dan

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Hello Everyone:

Now that the Corps has decided to have a third party contractor prepare the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Crandon mine, we are in the process of developing a list of qualified and experienced contractors for consideration. Contractors who have previously worked on the Crandon Project for EXXON or CMC, or are currently working on the project for NMC will not be considered by the Corps. If you would like to suggest specific contractors for consideration by the Corps, please submit their names, addresses, and telephone numbers to the Corps by close of business on Monday May 24, 1999. The distribution list for this request is attached.

Thank you.

Jon Ahlness

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